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Responsible Party Search Section
United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region 5
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590

Re: Response to Request for Information Pursuant

to Section 104(e) of CERCLA for the Sauget Area 1

in Sauget, Illinois

Dear Ms. Adams:

I am writing to respond to the above-referenced Information Request dated September 21, 1994. I had received an extension of time to October 28, 1994 to respond to these requests from Mr. Tom Martin, Assistant Regional Counsel, United States Environmental Protection Agency Region V. I have set forth below each of the requests followed by my respective responses thereto.

I understood from the Information Request that the requests related to Sauget Area 1 Site as denoted on the map attached to the Information Request. However, I was not able to identify on the map you enclosed the boundaries of Sauget Area 1. Accordingly, I responded to the Information Request based on my understanding that Sauget Area 1 includes Sites G, H, I, L and Dead Creek Sectors A and B. If this understanding is incorrect, please advise me as my responses may differ if additional areas are included in Sauget Area 1.

1. Title information indicates that you and/or your father, Mr. Leo Sauget, were the property owners of record of Site G, Site H, and Site I in Sauget Area 1. (See Attached Map of Sauget Area 1). Is this correct? Provide information on the time periods you and/or Mr. Leo Sauget owned these sites.

RESPONSE:

Based on my information and belief, Mr. Leo Sauget was a property owner of record for Site G, Site H and Site I. I do not know the specific time periods during which Mr. Leo Sauget owned these sites. I believe that Mr. Leo Sauget sold Site G sometime in the 1960's, sold Site H sometime prior to 1969, and sold Site I prior to 1969. At no time was I the property owner of Site G, Site H or Site I.

2. As an employee of Industrial Salvage & Disposal, Inc., did you gain any knowledge regarding the nature and/or volume of chemical wastes that were disposed of at any of the above-referenced sites? Provide any and all information and documents concerning the volume and characteristics of chemical wastes disposed of by Industrial Salvage and Disposal (both before and after incorporation) at these sites, including the identities of the Companies which generated these wastes.

RESPONSE:

I am not sure what is intended to be included by the term "chemical wastes", but based on my understanding of that term, I do not know whether any "chemical wastes" were disposed of at any of these Sites. I do not have any documents concerning the volume or characteristics of any "chemical wastes" disposed of at Sites G, H or I. I believe that Monsanto Company and Mobil Oil Company disposed of materials at one or more of these sites. With respect to the Monsanto Company, on information and belief, I believe that certain metal wastes, scrap wood, iron, and other solid and liquid wastes were disposed of at these sites. With respect to the Mobil Oil Company, on information and belief, I believe that certain sludges, and beads from their filtering operations, were disposed of at one or more of these sites. My knowledge concerning Sites G, H and I is very limited because I had only limited involvement with the activities of Industrial Salvage & Disposal, Inc. with respect to these sites.

3. Did you, Sauget and Company, Leo Sauget or Industrial Salvage & Disposal, Inc. at any time haul chemical waste materials, obsolete process equipment or off-specification products generated at the Cerro Copper Products Company facility or the Monsanto Krummrich or Monsanto Queeny plants to Site G, Site H or Site I? If so, describe the nature, frequency and time periods in which these activities occurred, as well as on whose behalf they were undertaken.

RESPONSE:

With respect to myself, I did not at any time haul chemical waste materials, obsolete process equipment or off-specification products generated at Cerro Copper Products Company facility or the Monsanto Krummrich or Monsanto Queeny plants to Sites G, H or I. On

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information and belief, I do not believe that Leo Sauget, Industrial Salvage & Disposal, Inc. or Sauget & Company engaged in any such waste hauling activities.

4. Did you, Sauget and Company, Leo Sauget or Industrial Salvage & Disposal, Inc. accept solid waste materials (such as fly ash and cinders) from any industry in what was known as the Village of Monsanto and currently known as the Village of Sauget (hereinafter, "Village") for the purposes of disposal or cover at Site G, Site H, and/or Site I? Were any of these actions sanctioned, licensed, or permitted by the Village for the purpose of making property improvements?

RESPONSE:

With respect to myself, I did not accept solid waste materials (such as fly ash and cinders) from any industry for the purposes of disposal or cover at Sites G, H or I. With respect to Industrial Salvage & Disposal, Inc., I do not have any knowledge or information responsive to this request. With respect to Leo Sauget individually, I believe that Mr. Leo Sauget did accept materials for the purposes of use as fill or cover at Sites G, H and I, but I do not know whether this material is accurately described as "solid waste". On information and belief, I do not believe the Village was involved in these activities, although it is not clear to me what is intended by the term "sanctioned". I also do not believe that the Village licensed or issued permits for these activities for the purpose of making property improvements.

5. Please state the dates which Industrial Salvage & Disposal, Inc., and Sauget and Company started and ceased operations, including the dates of incorporation. Provide a chronology describing the positions you held and the type of work you performed for these businesses, both before and after their incorporation.

RESPONSE:

Because I could not recall the dates when either Industrial Salvage & Disposal, Inc., or Sauget & Company started and ceased operations, including the dates of incorporation, I inquired of the Illinois Secretary of State's office concerning this information. Based on the information received from the Illinois Secretary of State's office, I believe that Industrial Salvage & Disposal, Inc. was incorporated on November 5, 1959. Thereafter, the company's name was changed to Sauget & Company, Inc. on March 25, 1965. Sauget and Company, Inc. was dissolved on November 15, 1973. With respect to the Industrial Salvage & Disposal, Inc. company, I drove trucks to the scrap yards and I believe at some time I became the Secretary of the company. With respect to Sauget & Company, Inc., I do not recall what my early positions were with the company but I ultimately became the President of Sauget and Company. As President, my work included overseeing all of the operations of Sauget and Company. However, it is my recollection

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that Sauget & Company was not involved in any waste disposal activities in the Sauget Area 1 Site.

6. Were any of your waste disposal activities or those of Sauget and Company or Leo Sauget or Industrial Salvage & Disposal, Inc., coordinated with employees of the Village? Were any of these activities carried out with the knowledge of the Village board members? Provide the names of such Village employees and/or Village board members.

RESPONSE:

No.

7. Identify all companies and persons which you, Mr. Leo Sauget, and Sauget and Company, and/or Industrial Salvage and Disposal (pre and post incorporation) hauled waste into Sauget Area 1 sites. Provide all contracts, agreements, manifests, and/or bills of lading relating to these transportation and/or disposal activities.

RESPONSE:

With respect to myself, and based on information and belief, also with respect to Mr. Leo Sauget, Sauget and Company, and Industrial Salvage and Disposal, Inc., none of these companies or persons were involved in hauling waste into Sauget Area 1 sites. Accordingly, I have no documents relating to the transportation of waste into Sauget Area 1 sites. I also have no documents concerning "disposal activities" on the Sauget Area 1 sites. See also my response to Request No. 2.

Very truly yours,

Paul Sauget